Part X-B. Therapeutic Use of Marijuana

[Editor's Note: A prior Part X-A, Therapeutic Use of Marijuana, consisting of R.S. 40:1021 to 40:1026, was repealed by Act 662 of 1989 Legislature, effective July 7, 1989. Act 676 of 2006 Legislature re-designated this Part as Part X-B. Subsequent amendments are noted herein.]

§1021. Prescription of marijuana for therapeutic use; rules and regulations; secretary of health and hospitals

- A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Part, a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state and who is also registered to prescribe Schedule I substances with the Drug Enforcement Administration may prescribe marijuana, tetrahydrocannabinols, or a chemical derivative of tetrahydrocannabinols for therapeutic use by patients clinically diagnosed as suffering from glaucoma, symptoms resulting from the administration of chemotherapy cancer treatment, and spastic quadriplegia in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the secretary of health and hospitals and in accordance with FDA and DEA administrative guidelines for procurement of the controlled substance from the National Institute on Drug Abuse.
- B. The Secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, by January 1, 1992, shall promulgate rules and regulations authorizing physicians licensed to practice in this state to prescribe marijuana for therapeutic use by patients as described in Subsection A of this Section.

(Added by Act 874 of 1991 Legislature, effective September 6, 1991)

(end of Part X-B of Chapter 4)